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AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE UNDER 37 CFR § 1.111

Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

Applicant has reviewed the Office Action mailed on February 26, 2002. Please amend the above-identified patent application as follows.

This response is accompanied by a Petition, as well as the appropriate fee, to obtain a three-month extension of the period for responding to the Office action, thereby moving the deadline for response from May 26, 2002 to August 26, 2002.

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IN THE DRAWINGS

A complete set of corrected formal drawings are supplied herewith.

IN THE ABSTRACT OF THE DISCLOSURE

Please substitute the Abstract in the appendix entitled Clean Version of Abstract for the previous Abstract.

IN THE SPECIFICATION

Please make the paragraph substitutions indicated in the appendix entitled Clean Version of Amended Specification Paragraphs. The specific changes incorporated in the substitute paragraphs are shown in the following marked-up versions of the original paragraphs:

At page 11, lines 8-18, please amend the paragraph as follows:

Similarly, the dotted lines in FIG. 7 represent the connections between a third router 716 in the first cluster 702 and each one of the other clusters. The third router 716 in the first cluster 702 is connected to a third router 724 in the second cluster 704 through metarouter 709. The